

Remarks

The Examiner is thanked for the courtesies extended to Applicant's Representative in the telephonic interviews on April 19, 2006 and April 21, 2006, in which amendments to the claims were discussed.

Claims 53, 58-60, 63, and 73 are amended. Claims 53-55, 58-60, 63-64, 66-68, 70, 72-74, 78-79, and 81-82 are pending.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612) 373-6959 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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